THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (DR. U. VENKATESWARLU) : (a) The Central Government has been seeking loan assistance from international agencies, such as the World Bank, the Overseas Economic Cooperation Fund (OECF) of Japan, etc., for specific urban water supply and sanitation projects submitted by the State Governments from time to time.

(b) to (f) The Central Government had recommended the Regional Water Supply Scheme for Talcher, Meramundali, Anugul, Dhenkanal and Bhuban urban conglomerations submitted by the Government of Orissa at an estimated cost of Rs. 139.31 crores for OECF assistance under the 1996-97 and 1997-98 loan packages. However, the proposal was not finally approved by the Government of Japan for funding.

**Raising of Money by HUDCO**

3982. SHRI R. SAMBASIVA RAO : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether in order to boost its programme of financing different infrastructure projects in the country, the Housing and Urban Development Corporation (HUDCO) propose to raise over Rs. 3,000 crore from various overseas sources during 1997-98; and

(b) if so, the sources from which this amount is likely to be raised ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (DR. U. VENKATESWARLU) : (a) and (b) HUDCO has signed an agreement with Overseas Economic Cooperation Fund (OECF) of Japan to avail a line of credit of 8670 million Yen (approx. Rs. 300 crores at current exchange rates) for augmentation of its resources for urban water supply and sanitation improvement programmes in various cities. The line of credit will have to be availed before 2002. Actual disbursements under this credit line will, however, be linked to the proposed project implementation. It is proposed to avail loan of Rs. 50 crores under the above mentioned line of credit during 1997-98.

**Development of Slums**

3983. SHRI S.D.N.R. WADIYAR : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) the amount earmarked for the development of slums during Ninth Plan;

(b) the State-wise allocation made for the purpose during 1997-98;

(c) whether different States have asked for enhancement in allocation for slum development; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (DR. U. VENKATESWARLU) : (a) and (b) The amount for the development of slums during the Ninth Plan is yet to be decided by the Planning Commission. However, Planning Commission has allocated an amount of Rs. 330 crores for slum development during the year 1997-98.

(c) and (d) During 1996-97, an amount of Rs. 250 crores was provided by the Planning Commission.

**Supply of Petroleum products**

3984. SHRI K. PRADHANI : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government have a proposal to lay pipe lines to supply petrol and diesel in various cities; and

(b) if so, the cities which are proposed to be connected with pipe line for supplying petrol and diesel during Ninth Five Year Plan ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI T.R. BAALU) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The details of cities would be known only when proposals are firmed up.

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**Development of Old Delhi**

3985. SHRI JAI PRAKASH AGARWAL : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether 'Sahajanabad Scheme' was formulated for the maintenance of the "Old Delhi" are of the National Capital Region, Delhi;

(b) if so, the time when the said scheme was formulated;

(c) whether the Government have constituted any Board for that or whether any amount was allocated for making available the necessary basis amenities in the streets of dense population of old Delhi;

(d) if so, the year-wise details thereof, till date;

(e) whether the Government have made provision for separate financial assistance/grant for the maintenance of Slum 'Katras' of Old Delhi and for providing necessary basic amenities there during the last three